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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The Applicant's Remarks, filed May 13, 2005, have been entered and have been carefully considered. The invention as currently claimed is unpatentable for reasons herein below.
2. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. Claims 1 and 4 – 10 remains rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Taylor et al. (US 6,737,009) in view of Kent (US 5,885,705). The details of the rejection can be found in paragraph 3 of the previous Office Action dated November 15, 2004. The rejection is maintained.

Response to Arguments

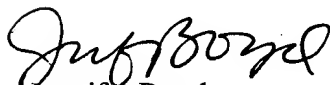
4. Applicant's arguments filed May 13, 2005 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.


In response to applicant's argument that the carpet technology of Kent and the spunbonding process of Taylor is nonanalogous art, it has been held that a prior art reference must either be in the field of applicant's endeavor or, if not, then be reasonably pertinent to the particular problem with which the applicant was concerned, in order to be relied upon as a basis for rejection of the claimed invention. See *In re Oetiker*, 977 F.2d 1443, 24 USPQ2d 1443 (Fed.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Terrel Morris can be reached on 571-272-1478. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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